

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 22-67 and Section 22-68.1, Division 2 of Article III, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article III relates to OPERATION OF VEHICLES, which Division 2 relates to RECKLESS DRIVING, SPEEDING, ETC., which Section 22-67 relates to RECKLESS DRIVING--RACING ON STREETS, and which Section 22-68.1 relates to IMPROPER DRIVING.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-67, Division 2 of Article III, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-67. Same--Racing on streets.

Any person who shall engage in a race between two or more motor vehicles on the streets of this city or upon any driveway or premises of a church, school, recreational facility or business property open to the public in this city shall be guilty of reckless driving under this section, unless authorized by the owner of the property or his agent. In addition to other penalties provided by law, the operator's or chauffeur's license of such person shall be suspended by the court or judge for a period of not less than six months nor more than two years. In case of conviction, the court or judge shall order the surrender of the license to the court where it shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of section 46.1-425 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

Section 2. That Section 22-68.1, Division 2 of Article III, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-68.1. Improper driving.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this division, upon the trial of any person charged with a violation thereof where the degree of culpability is slight, the court in its discretion may find the accused not guilty of reckless driving but guilty of improper driving and impose a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 1972.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

Final Passage: 6/14/72